

OUR RESOURCES

Information Resource Centers in Pretoria, Johannesburg, Soweto, Cape Town & Durban

Information Resource Centers (IRCs) provide current, comprehensive information about the United States, including its policies, its social and political processes and related subjects.

The resources of the IRC are intended to meet the needs of government officials, journalists, researchers, scholars and others with professional level interest in the United States and related subjects.

The IRCs provide information and reference services primarily by fax and e-mail, but also by telephone for urgent requests.

Resources are accessible by appointment for specialists with more extensive research needs in Pretoria, Durban and Cape Town. Centers in Johannesburg and Soweto are open to the general public.

IRCs are staffed by professional librarians skilled in using the Internet and other electronic and print resources.

You can contact us via e-mail, fax or telephone to arrange a visit if you require personal assistance or wish to use our electronic and print resources.

THE EXTRA MILE? We may go 7000 extra miles in fact!

In the unlikely event that we are not able to provide information from our on-site resources, we are able to call upon the expertise and information infrastructure available to us in the United States. Our home office can provide us with print resources not found in online databases and also is able to make personal contact, if necessary, with government agencies, academic and research institutions, foundations, businesses or non-governmental organizations.

This service is available to organizations and professionals in South Africa with serious information needs which fall within our guidelines.

Books, Periodicals & Newspapers

Each branch has a collection of current U.S. newspapers and periodicals. Johannesburg houses the circulating book collection. These titles are available, on request, at the other branches.

Videos

A documentary video collection on American business, arts and culture, history, geography and technology is housed in Johannesburg, where viewing facilities are available. Videos may be borrowed through any IRC, with an annotated catalog assisting selection.

Internet

Access to and orientation on the internet is available for serious researchers at all information resource centers.

Our homepage is at:

<http://southafrica.usembassy.gov>

Databases

Our subscription to a number of American on-line and CDROM databases equips us to provide a unique service in South Africa.

Our databases include:

◆ PROQUEST ◆ EBSCOHOST ◆ FIRSTSEARCH ◆ INFOTRAC ◆ FACTIVA	Full text or original images of articles from thousands of journals and newspapers
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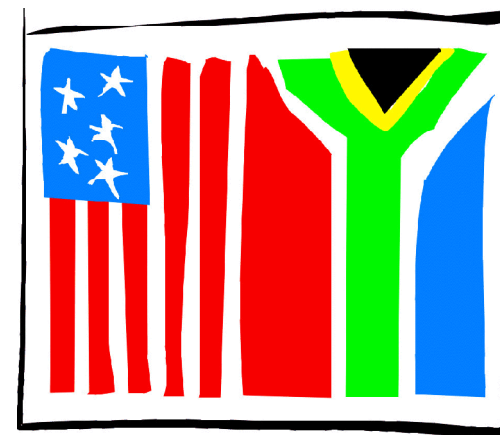
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